

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): (a) No.

(b) This does not arise.

Confirmation of clerks in the Registration Department.

340. ***MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the number of permanent appointments of clerks made by the Director of Registration since Kumbhom 1109;

(b) whether there is any standing order of Government regarding the confirmation of clerks in the Registration Department;

(c) whether the Director of Registration has contravened the above order in the matter of confirmation of certain clerks and

(d) if the answer to part (c) is in the affirmative, whether they will furnish a list of such appointments, with particulars regarding the names of clerks so confirmed, the dates of first entertainment, the total periods of acting service and the dates of confirmation?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(a) Nine.

(b) No.

(c) and (d) In view of answer to part (b), these do not arise.

Appointments in the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries.

341. ***MR. K. PADMANABHAN** (*Chirayinkil I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications for non-gazetted posts received by the Director of Agriculture and Fisheries from each of the communities of the State ever since he assumed charge; and

(b) the number appointed from each community?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): (a) and (b).

Community	Number of applications received for non-gazetted posts.	Number appointed from each community
Brahmin	11	2
Nairs	45	4
Ezhava	10	2
Other Hindus	44	7
Christians	32	2
Muhammedans	5	...

Age-limit for the retirement of Government Officers.

342. ***MR. K. SANKARAN** (*Kartikapalli I*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether it is a fact that Government contemplate to raise the present age-limit of 55 fixed for the retirement of Government servants from service?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No.